

## HARPALION HERE WITH IMMIGRANTS

SHIP ARRIVES IN GOOD SHAPE WITH COMPARATIVELY LITTLE SICKNESS.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Fourteen hundred and seventy-six men, women and children garbed in the garments of the old world, imbued with old world traditions, ideals and standards, crowded the decks of the



IMMIGRANT SHIP HARPALION, WHICH ARRIVED YESTERDAY—INSET, A. J. CAMPBELL, WHO COLLECTED THE 1500 PEOPLE FOR HAWAII.

British ship Harpalion yesterday morning and watched the morning mist rise from one of the newest corners of the new world with mingled awe and exultation.

To these Spanish and Portuguese villagers, hundreds of whom have never before wandered beyond the confines of their native hamlets, this voyage half-way around the globe is more wonderful than birth or death, and this venturing into the broad open world is a heroic exploit and an acid test of courage and virility. Yet they were joyful yesterday morning, according to the customs men and the doctors of the marine hospital corps and were more than eager to enter upon the new life which they have dreamed of since they broke the old ties.

### Births and Deaths.

The Harpalion arrived off port at eight o'clock yesterday morning and was in the hands of the marine hospital corps and the customs officials until four o'clock yesterday afternoon, when she was docked at the quarantine wharf and her big human cargo turned over to the territorial board of health. Little of the inevitable romance, pathos and tragedy of the fifty-one

days voyage has as yet come ashore. During the trip there were one hundred and ten cases of illness, from which seventeen deaths resulted. But the law of compensation worked well and there were nine births on voyage, so although 1484 people left Gibraltar in February and seventeen of these did not survive the trip, there were 1476 newcomers on board when the Harpalion arrived here.

### Mutiny Aboard.

The mutiny of two of a troublesome Chinese crew created some diversion and nearly resulted in genuine tragedy. From the time the steamer left Gibraltar the Chinese showed a disposition to hunt trouble and finally picked a quarrel with the British engineers. Captain W. E. Pope, who hurried to the rescue of the engine room force, was attacked by one Chinaman with an iron bar and a timely shot from the revolver of Chief officer Vine was all that saved him from mutilation. The bullet from the first mate's weapon penetrated the oriental's cheek, where it is still safely lodged, according to Doctor Trotter, who looked over the injured yesterday. The master then wielded a bar with some effect himself and effectually stemmed the tide of rebellion.

### Room for All.

The Harpalion was equipped to carry

nearly a thousand more passengers which binds these people to one another she brought to this port and as a other, is wonderful as I see it and in result those who did come had more comfort, air and sanitation than any dealt with them. The minor affliction which the doc-

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### immigrant ships.

"This is the first of these vessels that I have seen," said Doctor Trotter, head of the marine hospital and quarantine service, "but from what I have heard of the others, I judge that the conditions on the Harpalion are a great improvement over any of the previous immigrant transports. It was at least clean, and while I can not see how they could have crowded any more aboard without menacing the health of all, there was enough room, light and air on this steamer."

Doctor Marshall, who also boarded the Harpalion with Doctors Trotter, Gillespie, Sinclair and James, was particularly impressed by the presentable appearance and apparent intelligence of the newcomers.

### Splendid Looking.

"There were really some splendid looking men and women on board the Harpalion," said he yesterday, "apparently of a better class than any who have come here before. There were people who seemed peculiarly out of place in such a conveyance. No one was depressed however, and the only difficulty we had was with fond mothers and fathers who objected strenuously to being separated even for a moment from their children. The family bond,

tors discovered on board yesterday morning will probably occasion little delay in the handling of the newcomers. Forty-nine of the patients had measles, three were afflicted with the mumps, one with scarlet fever and one with diphtheria. The disposition of these cases is now in the hands of the territorial board of health.

### Near Riot.

Armed with night sticks a squad of police under Captain Baker beat a hasty retreat to the waterfront and Fort street wharf last evening, to disperse a mob of near rioters who were making the night hideous with calls and talk to friends across the harbor on the immigrant ship Harpalion. According to the telephone message received at the station there was a large mob present and it needed to be dispersed quickly.

The valiant ones made fast time to the scene of the supposed trouble only to find everything deserted and scarcely a ripple on the waters of the harbor. A few voices could be heard from the ship, but otherwise all was quiet. It turned out afterward that all the rioters were composed of one or two families numbering less than a dozen and among whom more than half were children.

## CONSTRUCTION OF HAWAII'S BELT ROAD HAS BEEN STARTED

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

HILO, April 16.—Work on the actual construction of the first belt road contract began last Monday, when Contractor Wilson started on his contract for the reconstruction of the section between Wainaku and Honolulu, the first of the three which he has to finish under his contract.

The work was started at both ends of the section. One gang of men is employed on filling the hollow just beyond the John Scott residence at Wainaku. This is quite a fill, and some of the contractors who bid on the work, predicted that there would be trouble in finding enough dirt near at hand to finish. Material is being taken from the sides of the gulch, and more will be taken from the Lalakea place on the mauka side of the road on the Honolulu side of the gulch, where a cut will have to be made, anyway, and it does not seem likely that there will be any shortage of readily available material, at least, not to amount to anything.

Another gang of men is working on a cut on the Hilo side of the Honolulu gulch. Another bunch of men are opening a quarry at Honolulu, on the mauka side of the road just beyond the first bridge on the Hilo side of the gulch.

### Citizen Labor.

Contractor Wilson left for Maui last Friday. He stated before leaving that he had had no trouble whatever in finding citizen labor. As a matter of fact, so far he could get more than he had any need for. He is employing about sixty men at present, but later on, when he has received his machinery, he will probably be able to use a considerably larger force. Wilson has sent to the mainland for a rock crusher and a steam roller. These are now on the way.

In the meantime the forces under Chief Engineer Bishop have been preparing plans and specifications for the section of road which will probably be taken up as soon as the next slice of the belt road money becomes available. That will probably be in August, and according to the governor, there will probably be about \$300,000 set aside for this island, provided it has plans and specifications ready for work costing so large an amount.

### Plans Complete.

The engineers will see to it that the condition is fulfilled; as a matter of fact, they have plans and specifications ready now for several sections. It is probable that these will soon be submitted to the belt road commissioners

for their approval, when bids may be called for, even before the money is actually available, as in this way the long time intervening between the first advertisement and the first awarding of the contracts, will not be wasted, and the work of construction can be proceeded with as soon as the money is received.

Thus the plans and specifications for the improvement of about nine miles of the Kahuku lava flow road have been completed. It has not been decided as yet whether an asphaltic oil or merely red dirt will be used for the top dressing, but the plans are so made that either can be called for. Bishop has sent to the mainland for figures on the cost of various oils, and on these prices will depend whether he will recommend dirt or oil. If the latter is not so very much more expensive than the former, he will recommend that that be used, as it will make a far more lasting piece of work.

### Question of Culverts.

The plans and specifications for the section of road between Hakalau and Maulua have been practically completed. All that is needed to finish them are studies, now being made on the question of culverts. The plans call for a road fourteen feet in width and about six miles in length.

The engineers are also nearing the completion of their work on the plans and specifications for the section of road between the Kawali gulch through Ookala and including the famous Bolobola road section, which was advertised as a contract by itself recently, when the bids thereon were rejected as being beyond the funds available.

While the old Bolobola contract called for only about a mile of road, the new contract will call for the construction of about four and two-third miles, as it is figured that as the overhead charges which the contractor has to meet will be about the same whether he builds a one mile or a five mile section, the cost per mile will be lessened the more miles are included in the contract. The original Bolobola specifications are being modified somewhat, with a view of bringing down the cost as far as possible without loss of efficiency. Thus some of the grades are being treated in a less radical manner, four per cent, being called for now, where the original contract called for three, and so forth. The greatest saving will, however, be made on the bridge construction, which forms an important feature of this contract.

## DIVORCE CASES ARE FILLING COURT DOCKET

CRUELTY CHARGES BASIS FOR MAJORITY OF COMPLAINTS—WIFE BEATING COMMON.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Divorce business is piling up very fast in the circuit court, with cruelty charges the feature of most of the cases. A majority of them are Japanese. An unusual one among the long list of cases of wife-beating and desertion made its appearance yesterday, when Toki Narukawa filed a complaint charging his wife with husband-beating.

Toki says that he married his better half in Japan, and that she has constantly treated him cruelly. On the sixth of this month she bent him, he says, inflicting most painful wounds. She followed it up with an assault with a knife, wounding him on the arm. Toki says that he has always conducted himself as a good and faithful husband ought to do, but that Mrs. Toki "ill-treated and abused" him, "in a cruel and inhuman and shameful manner."

Seven other cases made their appearance in the returns of summons yesterday and Judge Whitney, who handles the divorce business, will soon have to give most of his time to it. One case was Chinese, Mrs. Alau King You sues Wong Koy You on grounds of cruelty, which included the usual charges of beating and kicking. She says in her complaint that there are "two union children" as a result of their marriage, and she wants them awarded to her.

Kunizaki versus Kunizaki and Julia Silva versus John P. Silva are two other cases in which beating and kicking are alleged. Mrs. Rise Ladd charges Samuel Ladd with failure to provide, after twenty-three years of married life, and Mrs. Emma Quin charges her husband Joseph with various cruelties, and with a statutory offense.

### Homestead Case.

The supreme court yesterday held an all day session in the Henderson homestead case, a test case involving forty homestead claims in Hakalau, and dealing with many of the problems involved in the present political land discussion. Deputy Attorney General Arthur G. Smith appeared for the Territory, and Attorney Harry Irwin of Hilo for Henderson. The matter was brought to the supreme court on an appeal by the Territory from a decision by Judge Parsons of Hilo in favor of the homesteader.

The decision in the case is expected to be of much importance in construing the land laws, aside from the fact that it affects the status of the forty Hakalau homesteaders. One of the main legal issues is as to how far the general land laws of the United States are to be considered as applicable to Hawaii. One contention is that the general theory of these laws should be considered as the basis of the laws of Ha-

wai. On the other hand it is contended that Henderson and associates complied with the terms of the land laws of Hawaii and are therefore entitled to patents, regardless of what the mainland laws say.

### Magoon Hits Back.

In a motion filed yesterday in the circuit court the Honolulu Amusement Company asks a thousand dollars damages from the Liberty theater, on account of the injunction secured against Blondie Robinson, prohibiting him from performing at the Liberty. The claim was filed by Magoon and Aluli, and was in the form of a motion to tax costs. In addition to costs, however, they ask that Young Chun, manager of the Liberty, be required to pay a thousand dollars, for damages caused by the temporary injunction. Counsel fees and other expenses are set forth as due from the Liberty for the trouble caused.

### Horner versus Horner.

The case of Horner versus Horner is nearing a conclusion, and may be finished today. Robert Horner spent most of yesterday on the stand listening to the arguments of attorneys about questions put to him. There was a strenuous fight over an effort to introduce testimony about differences between the brothers many years ago, but the court held repeatedly that only dealings having a direct bearing on the issues raised in the bill of complaint and answer could go in evidence. Defendant's counsel did not note exceptions to the rulings shutting out this evidence.

### Question of Service.

A technical point in connection with service of summons was decided by the supreme court yesterday in the case of Fred Sackwitz against Elizabeth Goodwin, Charles F. Sackwitz and the Bishop Trust Company. The circuit court had held that the service of summons on Sackwitz, in his absence, was valid, and the higher court sustained this ruling. The syllabus sets forth the technical ruling as follows: "A suit in equity, the essential purpose of which is to establish a trust with reference to, as well as to establish a title in certain land, is purely a proceeding in personam, and jurisdiction of the persons of the defendants, nonresidents, cannot be acquired by substituted service."

The suit is an action to establish title to real estate in Honolulu, and is remanded to the circuit court for further proceedings.

### Court Notes.

The final accounts of the Hawaiian Trust Company, as executors of the estate of late Dr. Walter C. Brinckerhoff, have been approved, and the executor discharged.

The Salvador Lopez case continued on trial all day yesterday in the federal court, Bittling for the prosecution and Straus for the defense making a very strenuous fight. The case is likely to be concluded today. Lopez is charged with a capital offense.

### LAME BACK.

One of the most common ailments that hard working people are afflicted with is lame back. Apply Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice a day and massage the parts thoroughly at each application, and you will get quick relief. For sale by Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

## IMMIGRANTS HELD PENDING A BOND

LEGAL TANGLE OVER DISPOSITION OF HARPALION'S LIVING FREIGHT—SICK LANDED.

Owing to the failure on the part of the owners and agents of the immigrant ship Harpalion to provide a bond, insuring the payment of the expenses incidental to the landing of the people on board, the fifteen hundred Spaniards were yesterday between the law and the deep sea.

The federal authorities, mindful of the big bill which the Willadsen left unpaid were not willing to take chances with the Harpalion; the local agents, T. H. Davies & Co., had no authority from the British owners of the steamer to furnish the bond which the immigration laws require, and the territorial board of immigration was just as positive that it would have nothing to do with the immigrants until they were landed. Meanwhile an army of Spanish and Portuguese with about seventy cases of more or less contagious diseases among them, was cooped up in the steamer in which they had pitched and tossed across the Atlantic and Pacific and failed to comprehend the technical barriers that had been raised against them.

### Status of the Case.

The status of the case was considered by Inspector R. L. Halsey, it was brought up before Captain Pope of the Harpalion, and presented clearly and forcibly to the agents. Finally the captain, recognizing the menace of the sick to the other passengers and their need for treatment, offered to put up a partial bond on his own authority. The agents cabled to London to the owners of the steamer for authority to furnish the bond which will make it possible to land the whole consignment.

Inspector Halsey then ordered the sick removed from the vessel and late yesterday afternoon they were taken off and were lodged in the hospital on quarantine island.

"In their present condition," said Inspector Halsey last night, "it is impossible to tell how dangerous many of these cases are. They were a menace on the ship, and until it is assured that they can all pass the mental and physical requirements, they could not be landed in the Territory. The difficulty is occasioned by the failure of the ship and the ship's agents to be prepared to fulfill the requirements of the immigration laws when the vessel arrived here. I have no doubt that when word is received from London the whole thing will be cleared up within a few days, and the people will be brought ashore."

The usual examination of the immigrants will be held tomorrow and the voyagers will be passed or rejected on their physical and mental fitness to land on American soil.

**LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS REFUSED IN DEMANDS**

NEW YORK, April 18.—The railway operators have refused the demands of the locomotive engineers

## BIRDMAN HURLS SELF TO DEATH

JUMPS FROM 'PLANE 800 FEET ABOVE CITY, FOLLOWING QUARREL WITH GIRL.

VERSAILLES, France, April 18.—John Vorrept inaugurated a novel and sensational form of suicide here yesterday when he leaped from his aeroplane while in full flight, eight hundred feet above the earth, and plunged to his death while hundreds of spectators, attracted by his daring aerial maneuvers, witnessed his fall.

Vorrept, according to his friends, was distracted by a recent quarrel with his fiancée. The cause of the lovers' quarrel is not known, but it is believed that Vorrept, who has vainly attempted to regain the favor of his angry fiancée, finally despaired and deliberately planned a death which is as novel in the annals of aeronautics as in that of suicide.

## QUARREL RESULTS IN THREE CHARGES AGAINST HILO MAN

It was a peck of pilliki that O. T. Nielsen overturned over in Hilo the other day, and which in the end resulted in his arrest here upon his arrival by the Mauna Kea Saturday. He will be sent back to square things up.

Nielsen had a quarrel with Julio Augustino over a money matter. It ended in Nielsen making off with the money in question, jumping into an automobile and dashing away around a corner without the formality of tooting his horn according to the statutes made and provided.

Now Deputy Sheriff Pettier noticed this omission and made haste to effect a capture. Nielsen was released on his own recognizance, but failed to show up in court at the stipulated time, whereupon a bench warrant was issued. The following morning Nielsen appeared before Judge Wise to answer charges of violating the auto ordinance, of larceny and of contempt of court. He pleaded guilty to the first charge and was fined \$10 and costs, which he paid.

Again Nielsen was released on his own recognizance, but instead of reappearing to court for further hearing Nielsen took passage on the Mauna Kea for Honolulu. His arrest was brought about immediately upon his arrival here.

### TAFT ASKS AID.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Prompted by the reports of extreme destitution and suffering in the flood districts of the South and Middle West, President Taft has appealed to the Red Cross Society to help in the alleviation of the present conditions and the assistance of the flood victims.

## CHINAMAN CHARGED WITH GRAVE OFFENSE AGAINST THREE LITTLE HAWAIIAN GIRLS

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Before Judge Whitney yesterday, in the juvenile court, three little, brown-eyed Hawaiian girls, two eleven years old, one a year younger, related in childish words a tale of ravishment, naming as the one who had bribed away from them their virtue Chan Hang Wo, the proprietor of a dirty little restaurant in the dirty tenement at the corner of King and Alapai streets. The price of the shame they are too young to recognize was free luncheon, a bit of ribbon, candy and some few nickels.

The tale is one of the many such told in Honolulu to the juvenile judge, to mission workers, to the trustee officer and to the probation officer, told so frequently that the horror of it is in a degree lost, although such a story as was related by these little girls yesterday would, in a majority of American communities, arouse such a storm of indignation that a lynching would be probable.

Following the hearing in the juvenile court, a warrant against Chan Hang Wo was issued and his arrest was made.

## INVENTOR HAS DEADLY MACHINE FOR PESTS, FROM RATS TO MOSQUITOES

C. C. Tuch has just received a patent

for a rat and insect exterminator, which he claims is able to put out of business anything that runs, flies or crawls, electrocuting them with neatness, quickness and despatch. Anything from a daylight mosquito to a Norway rat that monkeys around the Tuch machine is a goner, according to Mr. Tuch, who has had a working model of his exterminator "set" and going for some time, bagging fruit flies, cockroaches, centipedes, mosquitoes and mice. So far the rats have shown sense enough to keep away, but a surprise party awaits the first inquiring rodent that ventures around.

The exterminator consists of a box with a double covering of wire mesh, with a nice round hole in the side and a doorstop covered with wire. Attached is an electric light connection, ready to screw into any bulb socket. One wire goes to one part of the exterminator and the other to another and all that is necessary is for something alive to join up the circuit and get his. The current necessary to kill comes from the electric light wire, intensified by a resistance coil. An ordinary rat will stop carrying fleas after getting 120 volts, other pests in proportion.

"One beauty of my exterminator is that it only uses electricity when it is working," explains the inventor.

## ELOPEMENT OF HAWAII COUPLE PROVES TO BE A THOROUGHLY MODERN AFFAIR

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

HILO, April 16.—A most romantic elopement took place last week at Laupahoehoe, when young Joaquin Ignacio, a brother of the principal of the Pohakupuka school, braved parental wrath by fleeing with his lady love, Miss Meyers, a charming German-Portuguese girl, the daughter of Henry Meyer, a landowner at Laupahoehoe.

The elopement was conducted in the most up-to-date style, with an auto, and Chauffeur Jeremiah Maluo as Mereury. About ten o'clock in the evening young Ignacio came to Maluo and ordered out his machine. He drove to a place indicated by Ignacio, and here the young lady was waiting. She jumped in, and Maluo drove to Honolulu. There the couple went to the residence of the Catholic priest. He was visiting at the Catholic mission in Hilo, so orders were given to continue the trip to Hilo. This town was reached early in the morning, and a bedtime was made for the mission, where the lovers were joined.

In the meantime the girl's parents had discovered that the young lady had

eloped, and they immediately reported the matter to the deputy sheriff of North Hilo. They asked him to stop the marriage, claiming that the girl was a minor. The North Hilo police found that the couple had gone to Hilo, and notified Deputy Sheriff Pettier. He found, however, that the bride was just past eighteen years of age, wherefore she could marry legally, without the consent of her parents. The fact that the marriage license was dated March 23 shows that the young people had been watching their opportunity for some time. The parental blessing is now all that is needed to make the affair a happy one.

### ALL FOR UNDERWOOD.

MONTGOMERY, Alabama, April 18.—Alabama's forty delegates to the Democratic National Convention, which will be held in Baltimore, are pledged to support Oscar Underwood, of Montgomery, for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, as long as he is a candidate.

The British admiralty is planning the establishment of a great naval coaling station at Rosyth in Fifeshire. It will be big enough to enable an entire fleet to coal simultaneously.